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July 19, 2017

Mr. Brian J. Bussa  
Ford Motor Company  
290 Town Center Drive, Suite 800  
Dearborn, MI 48126

Re: February 2017 Operable Unit Two Final Remedial Design Report  
Ringwood Mines/Landfill Site, Ringwood, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Bussa:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) have completed review of the February 2017 Operable Unit Two Final Remedial Design Report for the Ringwood Mines/Landfill Site. EPA's and NJDEP's comments have been attached to this letter.

In accordance with the October 2014 Administrative Order on Consent, CERCLA Docket No. 02-2014-2025, the attached comments should be fully addressed in a revised Final Remedial Design Report.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please call.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. A. Gowers", is positioned above the typed name of the signatory.

Joseph A. Gowers, Project Manager  
New Jersey Remediation Branch

Attachment

cc: G. DiPippo, Cornerstone Environmental  
K. Petrone, NJDEP  
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S. Heck, Borough of Ringwood  
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**USEPA AND NJDEP COMMENTS ON THE FEBRUARY 2017 FINAL OPERABLE  
UNIT TWO REMEDIAL DESIGN REPORT FOR THE RINGWOOD MINES SITE**

1.- The Final RD Report should be revised to provide for the use of boulders around the perimeter of the Peters Mine Pit Area cap (similar to the SR-3 Area) to provide an access barrier for ATVs that might adversely impact the cap and revegetated areas. The boulder barriers used at SR Areas have been effective at keeping trespassers off of restored areas.

2.- Given the history of subsidence issues related to historic mining activities at the site, the Final RD Report must be revised to provide for vibrations monitoring in the vicinity of nearby residences during the construction of the Operable Unit Two remedy. Such monitoring should be conducted on a continuous basis during construction activities and should include real-time notification to the construction contractor of excessive vibration levels.